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1. Brig Gen Dusynski has been assigned to command the 1st Infantry Division at Warsaw.
2. Col Hiedlecki has been transferred from command of the 1st Infantry Division to command of the 12th Infantry Division.
3. Maj Halpern has been made deputy commander of the 6th Infantry Division at Krakow and is in charge of the political-educational branch.
4. The entire 5th Independent Armored Brigade has been transferred to Nowy Sacz. Parts of the brigade were previously stationed at Krakow and Jaworzno.
5. Lt Col Zygmunt Buszko of the 27th Infantry Regiment at Kladskowas has been ordered to the General Staff School.
6. Capt Lebedow, a Russian, is political-educational officer for the 27th Infantry Regiment.
7. The 1st Engineer Regiment at Brzez had a 1 Nov 47 strength of 64 officers, 26 professional noncommissioned officers, 114 noncommissioned officers, and 845 men. The regimental commander, Zarzyński (Russian), is on leave in the USSR and Lt Col Kluçynski is acting commanding officer. A portion of the 1st Engineer Regiment consisting of 28 officers, 64 noncommissioned officers, and 453 men helped clear mines from Wroclaw.
8. The 64th Motorized AA Battalion arrived in Brzez on 22 Sep 47 after being on maneuvers. It had a strength of 13 officers, 56 noncommissioned officers, and 136 men. Its weapons and equipment included four quick-firing cannons, seven 77 mm guns, and 14 cars.
9. On 5 Oct 47 a large transport of men from all the airforce regiments in Poland left Warsaw for Moscow. Each regiment sent from 12 to 20 of its youngest recruits. Many of the recruits believed that they would never see Poland again.

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10. A further reduction in the number of army officers is likely. Maj Huszczka stated at Warsaw that "according to directives just received, we must reduce our expenses by 10%."

11. The Infantry Training Center in Rembertow is giving a nine-months training course for commanders of companies and larger units. The most recent class comprised 1,450 officers of whom 472 were returned to their units as undesirable after three months of training. Only 411 of the officers completed the course satisfactorily. The school's director, Gen Jurkiewicz; its commanding officer, Col Kurblin; and 123 of its instructors are Russian.

12. On 12 Aug 47 approximately 48 men were enrolled in a course for noncommissioned officers which opened in DOW 5 (Dowodztwo Okregu Wojewódzkiego - Military District Command). Capt Szol is commanding officer of the school. His deputy for political-educational matters is MSgt Nowak. The school's instructors are Lts Pajkowski and Wroblewski. The course is offering the following subjects:

- (a) Ballistics
- (b) Topography
- (c) Chemistry
- (d) Arms and Armament
- (e) Tactics
- (f) Army Regulations
- (g) Leadership and Command
- (h) Communications
- (i) Engineering

13. Many Polish Army officers, particularly those who were AK men, assert that they will desert and flee to the forests if, in the event of war, the USSR attempts to use the Polish Army against the Anglo-Saxons on a foreign front. These officers state that the units under their command will follow the orders of the Polish Independence Center (Polski Ośrodek Niepodległościowy).

14. All naval units are now commanded by PPR members as a result of a recent personnel purge ordered by the High Command of the Navy. Commanders whose party loyalty was in doubt were either dismissed outright or transferred to other posts. Following the purge, the Polish coastline was divided into three administrative areas:

- (a) Gdańsk,
- (b) Szczecin,
- (c) Ustka, Puck, Władysławowo, Hel, and Elbląg.

15. The CPW (Centralne Produkty Naftowe - Oil Products Center) oil storage facilities at Wrocław are to be transferred to the Army.

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